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Memorandum

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To:

BDAC Members

From

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CALFED Bay-Delta Program

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Subject: Draft Outlines for Programmatic EIR/EIS and Associated Technical Reports

Attached for your information are proposed draft outlines for the Phase II Programmatic Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement, and the associated Technical Reports. The outlines have been shortened, where possible, for purposes of explanation. For example, one resource category "Surface Water Hydrology" is presented with a detailed outline. The remaining resource categories are identified by heading only, thus avoiding the presentation of duplicate information. The outlines are printed on different color paper, as identified below, for ease of distinction.

The Technical Reports will be used to present detailed programmatic information, and include:

- Environmental Setting Affected Environment (blue)
- Environmental Impacts/Consequences which will be developed for each resource category (green)
- Description of the Alternatives (orange)
- Cumulative, Growth Inducing, Irreversible/Irretrievable Impacts and Short-Term Uses versus Long-Term Productivity (pink)
- Compliance with Applicable Laws, Policies, and Plans (gold)

This information from the Technical Reports will be summarized and presented in the Programmatic EIR/EIS (yellow).

The outlines were presented to CALFED agency representatives at the January Program Coordination Team meeting. In response to comments heard at that meeting:

CALFED Agencies

California

The Resources Agency
Department of Fish and Game
Department of Water Resources
California Environmental Protection Agency
State Water Resources Control Board

Federal

Environmental Protection Agency
Department of the Interior
Fish and Wildlife Service
Bureau of Reclamation
Department of Commerce
National Marine Fisheries Service

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- Additional overall evaluations will be made and presented within the Environmental Impacts/Consequences sections to be sure that the overall beneficial and adverse impacts are adequately presented; and
- An additional Technical Report which provides a comprehensive description of the Alternatives has been added.
- The Bay-Delta Region has been separated into two separate regions.

If you have any questions regarding these outlines, please contact Rick Breitenbach or Wendy Halverson Martin at (916) 657-2666.

Attachments